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в. [three large war vessels, apparently cruisers and 6 to 8 small units approached Gdynia harbor on an about northeasterly course from the direction of Hela. The vessels were seen from a distance of about six seamiles. The large vessels had two stacks and their silhouettes were similar to the former German large destroyers. The other units were considerably smaller. When a Polish pilot was asked when Poland had received such large war vessels, he answered "Poland does not have ships of this	25X1
	size yet, these are Russian".	25 X 1
	target-towing tug with a target in tow	25 X 1
•	put to sea from Gdynia harbor. the silhouettes of three large war vessels which showed only anchor lights and a blue light	25 X 1
	on the signal mast were seen on Putziger Wiek roads.	25 X 1
	approximately 25 vessels, recognized by their anchor lights, lay at anchor off Hela. During daytime the noise of firing	25X1
	guns at sea was repeatedly heard in Gdynia harbor.	20, (
	Comment. It is not believed probable that the reported vessels were actually turned over to Poland. It is rather assumed that, as was the case in the summer of 1954, vessels were detached for the duration of a training period. An identification of the type vessels cannot be moderate the reports with regard to the number of stacks do not correspond. It was observation of two stacks is taken as basis, the vessels could have been of type ex-German T 41, which would then furnish a hint as to the whereabouts of the six ship hulls of this class captured by the Soviets in Elbing (Elblag) at the end of the war.	25X1
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, the vessels returned 25 25X1 from the direction of Hela. a naval vessel with 25X1 25X1 put to sea toward Hela from Gdynia. 25X1 2. a unit of five war vessels of the same type, 25X1 entered Gdynia port during a rough 25X1 sea with snow showers and a southwesterly 8-9 wind force. It appeared that the vessels entered harbor in order to wait for better weather conditions since they put to sea again in the early morning Another vessel entered 25X1 Gdynia port after the unit of five arrived in the evening 25X1 Description of the five afore-mentioned vessels: Length, approximately 80 to 85 meters, clipper stem, flush deck extending to aft section of ship, small automatic weapon on the fcc'sle; square, straight 25X1 upright bridge with bulwark rail; a topmast with yard and crow's nest in the center of bridge. The vessels were fitted with one smokestack which projected beyond the deck superstructures with inclined cap, slightly stepped abaft of the bridge; an undetermined number of torpedo mountings were seen between deck superstructures aft of smokestack and a kind of destroyer island on border line of midship and stern; another compact deck superstructure on quarter deck, somewhat detached from destroyer island; adjoining to latter superstructure was a gun behind a protective shield. The vessels had a rounded stern, 25X1

Distinguishing features of vessel which followed the unit half an hour later:
Length about 30 to 35 meters, inclined stern, flush deck extending to stern,
slightly curved; short foc'sle with gun behind shield; bridge superstructures
in the form of steps; at trailing edge of bridge a strong topmast with searchlight
position; stack closely stepped to bridge, inclined cap, and its length did not
reach the height of the bridge; long quarter deck with two guns with shield
mounted on deck one behind the other; quarter deck ending in a rounded stern.

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